

## "NOT A TOWBOAT" SAID THE OTERI

Refused to Aid the President's  
Yacht, Rendered Helpless  
by an Explosion.

### COCAINE SOLD TO A GIRL

Man Under Arrest Charged  
With the Offense—An Al-  
leged Firebug.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
NORFOLK, VA., April 14.—The Presi-  
dent's yacht, Sylph, was towed here to-  
day disabled. Lieutenant P. C. Evans,  
commandant, says that the Sylph left  
Charleston, S. C., on Tuesday and was  
disabled that night off Cape Hatteras by  
the bursting of boiler tubes. Two men,  
T. F. Murphy, Michigan's mine, and J.  
J. Dalton, a seaman, were burned by  
the escaping steam. Anchors were put  
out and signals of distress made. The  
United Fruit Company's steamer Oteri  
answered the signals, saying that she  
was "not a towboat," and sailed away,  
but El Old, of the Morgan Line, towed the  
Sylph into Hampton Roads. The Sylph  
will stay here for repairs and the scold-  
ing men are receiving treatment aboard  
from the surgeon of the Topeka.

Mrs. Roosevelt had left the Sylph at  
Jacksonville, but Mrs. Evans was aboard.  
Lieutenant Evans expresses great illu-  
sion for the captain of the Oteri, who  
left the Sylph drifting helplessly at sea.

ON A SERIOUS CHARGE.  
A man called "Doc" Matthews was ar-  
rested to-day on the charge of selling co-  
caine to Fay Barlow, a young girl of Avon  
Street, who was saved with great diffi-  
culty from death as the result of in-  
haling the fumes of the drug.

A negro woman, Hattie Sears, who says  
he sold the drug to her for the girl, is  
held as a witness.  
The British steamer Himeria, Captain  
L. H. Lockhart, is here awaiting in-  
structions from her owners. An explosion  
occurred in the hold on the 6th and Fire-  
man J. Capera was suffocated by escap-  
ing steam. He was buried at sea and the  
vessel came on here for repairs. The  
Himeria sailed from New Orleans March  
21st, for Panama and Venice with cotton  
and corn. Capera was a Greek, 22 years  
of age.

ALLEGED FIREBUG.  
Olivia Williams, colored, arrested in  
Portsmouth yesterday as a firebug. She  
is accused of setting fire to the house of  
Edward P. Ball, where she was employed  
as a domestic, twice yesterday and three  
times to-day. The family was terror-  
stricken at the attempts to set the house  
on fire in various places. It was not till  
dawn with her confession that she was  
detained. She was called the woman  
in the house was suspected and arrest-  
ed. Many matches were found concealed  
in her clothing.

There was a hung jury in the murder  
trial of Joseph Brown, charged with the  
murder of Joseph Thompson, colored, who  
was killed at the Ballard farm in Norfolk  
county by shooting on December 1,  
1904.

ACCUSED OF ROBBERY.  
Frank Land, colored, was held to-day  
for indictment by the United States  
grand jury for robbing the mails. He was  
the driver of one of the mail wagons  
which run between the postoffice and the  
railway stations and he is charged with  
stealing a mail bag containing the second  
class mail and selected what he wished for himself  
and then allowed the rest to go on to its destination. He was  
reinstated by Detective Pettigrew in  
searching his room and those of the  
women whom he visited, found a great  
quantity of plunder supposed to have been  
taken from the mail bags, but the specific  
charge on which he is held is that of  
rifling the United States mails of a pair  
of eyeglasses, which a merchant iden-  
tified.

DAMAGES FOR SLANDER.  
A. W. Deans got a decree for damages  
of \$1,000 in the Court of Law and Chan-  
cery this morning. In a suit for damages  
a few days ago, the jury awarded \$2,500  
to him against George W. Bippard, a  
former partner in the grocery business.  
This morning Judge W. E. Martin enter-  
tained a motion to set aside the verdict  
of the jury and grant a new trial pro-  
vided the plaintiff would not accept a  
decree for \$1,000 damages. That was ac-  
cepted. The suit grew out of the arrest  
and trial of A. W. Deans in the Police  
Court on the charge of not accounting  
for \$25 received by him from transferring  
the license of one grocery company to  
another. The charge was dismissed in  
the Police Court, and the suit for slander,  
libel and damages was brought.

ACCUSED OF MURDER.  
James Griffin, the negro man who has  
been lingering between life and death in  
the Protestant Home and with a fatal  
wound in his abdomen since Tuesday  
morning, died this morning. Thomas  
Beard, the negro, who held the pistol  
with which Griffin was wounded, was ar-  
rested, allowed to go on a bail of \$1,000, and  
is now rearrested and charged with mur-  
der. Griffin was shot in the front with a  
bullet to the right of the heart, and the  
bullet passed to the right of the heart.  
He said they were "fooling with the  
pistol when it went off." Both of the  
negroes were employed in saloons. The  
shooting occurred at Davidson's saloon  
in Cumberland Street, at Willoughby  
Avenue after hours in the morning.

PARKING HOUSE AND STALLS.  
Rev. J. Francis Lee, pastor of the  
Metropolitan African Methodist Church  
is initiating the methods of Rev.  
Charles H. Parkhurst, of New  
York. In company with witnesses  
he visited on Wednesday night,  
the social clubs and the bar-rooms, where  
the negroes congregated for the purpose  
of investigating for himself and, like

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## BABY'S AWFUL ECZEMA

Face Like Raw Beef. Thought She  
Would Lose Her Ear. Healed  
Without a Blemish.

### MOTHER THANKS CUTICURA

"My little girl had eczema very bad  
when she was ten months old. I  
thought she would lose her right ear.  
It had turned black, and her face was  
like a piece of raw meat, and very sore.  
It would bleed when I washed her, and  
I had to keep cloths on it day and  
night. There was not a clear spot on  
her face when I began using Cuticura  
Soap and Ointment, and now it is com-  
pletely healed, without scar or blem-  
ish, which is more than I had hoped  
for." (signed) Mrs. Rose Ethel, 291  
Eckford St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Parkhurst, of gathering data for sermons  
on the slums. He says he witnessed  
scenes revolting to civilization.  
The board of governors of the James-  
town Exposition Company, with the ex-  
ception of Hon. J. Taylor Ellison, ac-  
cused by Archibald Warren H. Manning,  
are on the exposition grounds to-day for  
the purpose of surveying a sewerage  
system to be installed right away. The  
original plans will be modified to suit  
the plans as they now stand.

Ed. Morris, who killed Thomas Spencer  
by approaching him in a field where he  
was blowing, and stabbing him to the  
heart, was in the city last night, but the  
others arrived at the house of a woman  
friend after he had eaten and gone. He  
was hungry and risked capture to get  
food. The police are still searching for  
him.

### SENATORIAL FIGHT.

#### Chatham for Montague and Both Claim the County.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
CHATHAM, VA., April 14.—Political in-  
terest is on the increase, and friends  
of the various candidates feel confident  
of success. At present the race for sen-  
ator is foremost. Very recently a con-  
servative estimate was made of the vote  
in Chatham, resulting in a small majority  
for Governor Montague.

Senator Martin's friends claim Pitts-  
ylvania by several hundred votes. The  
Montague forces make counter claims es-  
timating their majority much less.  
Congressman Swanson's friends are leav-  
ing no stone unturned to give him the  
largest vote possible.

Hon. J. Taylor Ellison seems a gen-  
eral favorite and Judge Samuel W. Wil-  
iams for third place has some strong  
supporters with indications of increasing  
strength.

J. A. McGilvray, for Superintendent of  
Public Instruction, was a resident of this  
place when very young, and his friends  
made are desirous of his success.

James B. Pannill, late representative of  
Pittsylvania, has announced himself a  
candidate for the same honor.  
James W. Gregory, his colleague, it is  
believed, will stand for reelection. Mr.  
Gregory is very popular in the county,  
and two years ago lead the legislative  
ticket in the primary.

### WILD FIRE.

#### A Timely Rain-Storm Saves Damage.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
SUTTON, VA., April 14.—Much excite-  
ment was caused in this neighborhood  
yesterday on account of a fire which  
ran wild from a party burning bonfire  
sawed logs. But for the rain and rain  
this section would have been entirely  
burnt up.

On the 8th instant a severe hail storm,  
extended from Mantoo to Howardsville.  
There are many Montague men in this  
section.

### Herring—Revercomb.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
FREDERICKSBURG, VA., April 14.—Mr.  
Henry Herring and Miss Susie Revercomb  
were married yesterday at the Baptist  
Church at Stevensburg, in Culpeper coun-  
ty. They will reside in Washington.

### HEAVILY FINED FOR UNLAWFUL FISHING

#### Appeal to Circuit Court and Decision of Much Im- portance.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
FREDERICKSBURG, VA., April 14.—A  
new Baptist church was organized a  
few days ago at Dumfries in lower Prince  
William county, with twenty-nine char-  
ter members and Rev. A. T. Lynn, of  
Stafford, has been called to the  
pastorate.

Thomas Johnson, colored was this week  
fined \$75 in a magistrate's court in King  
George county, for unlawful fishing on  
the Potomac River, upon the shores of  
Mr. Lewis A. Ashton. He has given bail  
for \$300, and appealed to the Circuit  
Court of King George. The result of the  
trial will be looked forward to with inter-  
est, as the rights of fishermen on the  
Potomac will be determined.

Mr. Frank B. Roseboro, son of Rev. Dr.  
J. W. Roseboro, pastor of the Presbyterian  
Church of this city and president of  
Fredericksburg College, has been ap-  
pointed as counsel for the summer camp for  
the Protestant Home and the Pres-  
byterian, Baptist and St. George Epis-  
copal Churches, of this city, all of which  
have put in claims for damages by Fed-  
eral troops during the Civil War.

Rev. S. M. Sarver, minister appointed  
to the Stafford circuit by the Synodical  
Conference of the Methodist Church,  
recently held at Winchester, has arrived  
at the parsonage at Stafford Courthouse  
with his family, and will enter upon his  
new duties Sunday.

Mr. Henry Deans, of James county,  
was here yesterday, and sold 3,500 bushels  
of corn to the Karsten Commission Com-  
pany, of this city.

A number of representative citizens  
of upper Stafford county were here yester-  
day conferring with Mr. W. T. Jones,  
local manager of the Bell Telephone Com-  
pany in this city, with reference to con-  
necting the new telephone line now being  
built from near Tackett's Mill with the  
long distance system in this city. The ar-  
rangement will probably be made.

W. W. Booth, of the Department of  
Justice, United States Government, was  
in the city yesterday taking evidence in  
the cases of Hartwood Presbyterian  
Church in Stafford county, Wilderness  
Baptist Church in Spotsylvania county,  
United Church of Palmyra and the Pres-  
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## VIRGINIA LEADS IN ATHLETICS

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former.

### THE TRACK IN POOR SHAPE

Council Smashes the Virginia  
Record in Throwing  
the Discus.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., April 14.—  
The first three-cornered intercollegiate  
track and field meet ever held in Vir-  
ginia was pulled off on Lambeth field  
this afternoon, Virginia having as her  
competitors, St. John's (Maryland), and  
the Agricultural and Mechanical College  
(North Carolina).

The points were distributed as follows:  
Virginia, 18; Agricultural and Mechanical  
College, 31; St. John's, 18.

Last night's rain had rendered the  
track in poor condition, but despite this  
handicap, the time made in some of the  
events was above the average.

### Star Performer.

The star performer was Wilson, of North  
Carolina, who won five firsts and three  
seconds, thus scoring twenty-nine of the  
total number of points made by the Ag-  
ricultural and Mechanical College team.  
In the broad jump, he cleared 21 feet, 8 1/2  
inches, which is close to the Virginia re-  
cord.

The surprise of the meet was the de-  
feat of Bass, Virginia's short distance  
sprinter, in both the 100 and 220 dashes.  
In the former, he was outdistanced by  
Wilson, while in the latter, which was  
the prettiest race of the day, he was de-  
feated by both Stevens and Gore, of St.  
John's.

In field events, one Virginia record was  
smashed; Council throwing the discus 102  
feet, 4 inches. Council also gave a good  
account of himself in handling the ham-  
mer. Betts, formerly of Wesleyan Uni-  
versity, easily captured the mile run  
without exerting himself.

### The Winners.

The winners: One hundred yard dash,  
Wilson (Agricultural and Mechanical),  
first; Stevens (St. John's), second; Bass  
(Virginia), third. Time, 11 seconds.

Broad jump, Wilson (Agricultural and  
Mechanical), first; Holladay (Virginia),  
second; Waples (Virginia), third. Dis-  
tance, 21 feet, 8 1/2 inches.

Four hundred and forty yard dash,  
Shelton (Virginia), first; Gore (St. John's),  
second; Burke (Virginia), third. Time, 53  
seconds.

Throwing discus, Council (Virginia),  
first; Wilson (Agricultural and Mechan-  
ical), second; Williams (Virginia), third.  
Distance, 102 feet, 4 inches.

High jump, Holladay (Virginia), first;  
Randolph (Virginia), second; Wilson (Ag-  
ricultural and Mechanical), third. Dis-  
tance, 5 feet, 6 inches.

Eight hundred and eighty yard run,  
McNagney (Virginia), first; Stoddard (Vir-  
ginia), second; Harrison (St. John's), third.  
Time, 2 minutes, 14 seconds.

Putting the shot, Council (Virginia),  
first; Wilson (Agricultural and Mechan-  
ical), second; Williams (Virginia), third.  
Distance, 40 feet.

Two hundred and twenty yard dash,  
Stevens (St. John's), first; Gore (St. John's),  
second; Smith (Virginia), third. Time,  
23 1/2 seconds.

Hammer throw, Council (Virginia), first;  
Wilson (Agricultural and Mechanical), second;  
Williams (Virginia), third. Distance,  
110 feet, 6 inches.

One hundred and twenty yard high hur-  
dles, Wilson (Agricultural and Mechan-  
ical), first; Randolph (Virginia), second;  
Holladay (Virginia), third. Time, 21 1/2  
seconds.

Pole vault, Taylor (Virginia), first; Coun-  
cil (Virginia), second; Hunt (Agricultural  
and Mechanical), third. Distance, 9 feet,  
3 1/4 inches.

Two hundred and twenty yard low hur-  
dles, Wilson (Agricultural and Mechan-  
ical), first; Bogher (Virginia), second;  
Rowell (Virginia), third. Time, 27 1/2  
seconds.

Mile run, Betts (Virginia), first; Hutson  
(St. John's), second; Holladay (Virginia),  
third. Time, 52:20-25.

### BALK LABOR AGENTS.

#### Law Against a Nuisance En- forced at Boydton.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
BOYDTON, VA., April 14.—For several  
years labor agents from Habersham, N.  
Y., have had their drag nets out, scour-  
ing the county for hands to go to that  
town to engage in making brick. Yester-  
day a large number of hands and three  
agents were here in town preparing to  
leave. The money had been placed in  
bags and ready for the train. The com-  
munity's Attorney Goodie appeared upon  
the scene and notified the three agents  
that, under the law, each one was re-  
quired to secure a \$25 license, as labor  
agent, and before getting the license they  
would be required to appear before the  
Circuit Court, and procure  
a certificate from the judge to the effect  
that the applicants were persons of good  
character and honest demeanor. Then the  
commissioner of the revenue would be au-  
thorized to grant the license. The labor  
agents with the laborers decided to wait  
until court meets, which will be next  
Monday, and then apply to the court for  
a certificate.

The penalty for a violation of the law,  
subjects the offender to a fine of not less  
than \$50 nor more than \$500. Very few  
country people know of such a law. If  
they knew of it and would have it rigidly  
enforced, it would have a tendency to  
break up this practice of interfering with  
the labor of the country by these agents.  
The law may be found in Acts of the  
Assembly of 1903-04, sections 128 and 129,  
page 231.

### A FIREMAN KILLED.

#### H. T. Curry Struck by a Pas- senger Train at Parksley.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
PARKSLEY, VA., April 14.—A serious  
accident occurred here to-day on the New  
York, Philadelphia and Norfolk Railroad,  
while a south-bound freight train was  
waiting on the siding for the north-bound  
passenger train No. 94. The fireman of  
the freight train, H. T. Curry, was un-  
der his engine clearing the fire box. He  
did not hear the approaching passenger  
train, and was not aware of his dan-  
ger. After finishing his work he endeav-  
ored to return to his cab, just as the  
passenger train approached, and being  
too near the freight train, he was struck  
by the train, which was running at the  
rate of about fifty miles per hour.

He was injured by several cuts on his  
head, which came in contact with a tie,  
fracturing his skull, and his leg was

broken. He was also injured internally,  
rendering him unconscious. He was im-  
mediately taken to the hospi-  
tal at Baltimore, Md., where he died  
a few hours later.

### Will Leave Norfolk.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 14.—Passed  
Assistant Surgeon H. C. Shiffert, U. S.  
N., has been detached from duty at Nor-  
folk Navy-Yard and ordered to Washing-  
ton for a course of instruction in the  
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Barber—Watts.  
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
LEXINGTON, VA., April 14.—A pretty  
home marriage was solemnized Wednes-  
day evening at the home of Mr. Luther  
M. Watts, of near Glasgow, Rockbridge  
county, when his daughter, Miss Mary  
Lou Watts, became the bride of Mr.  
Brownless Barber. The officiating min-  
ister was Rev. Dr. A. G. Bucher, of the  
Presbyterian Church. The bride was  
gowned in white silk with veil, and car-  
ried a bride room. Her sister, Miss Susie  
Watts, was maid of honor. She wore white  
organdy and carried no ornaments. The  
best man was Mr. Wilson Williams, of  
Natural Bridge. The bride is a former  
popular teacher of Rockbridge, and the  
groom is a prosperous young farmer.

Mann on the Inside.  
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
CREVE, VA., April 14.—The Mann but-  
tons are largely in evidence here, so much  
so that the little three-year-old daughter  
of Mrs. J. P. Panton swallowed one a week ago.  
As yet there have been no unfavorable  
results. Judge Mann is quite a favorite  
in this, his home town.

To Vote on Bonds.  
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
CREVE, VA., April 14.—The Town  
Council at a late meeting ordered an  
election the 30th of May on the question of  
issuing \$7,000 of bonds for an electric light  
plant. The question is of great importance  
to the town and it is for the tax-payers  
to say whether or not it is wise and ad-  
visable, and to vote accordingly.

THE SOUTHERN FIRE  
INSURANCE COMPANY

Mrs. Emma C. Rumbough Sues  
for a Di-  
vorce.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
LYNCHBURG, VA., April 14.—The  
stockholders of the Southern Fire In-  
surance Company, of this city, met to-day  
and organized under the charter recently  
granted by the State by the selection of  
the following board of directors: J. Gor-  
don Payne, J. R. Gilliam, E. P. Miller,  
O. B. Barker, L. Lazarus, Richard Han-  
cock, R. D. Apperson, Randolph Harri-  
son, A. R. Carrington, M. H. Dingee,  
William Hurt, William Peitzjohn, K. C.  
Shook, W. G. Dunnington and Holmes  
Cunningham.

The officers: President, J. G. Payne;  
Vice-President, M. H. Dingee; Treasurer,  
E. P. Miller, and Secretary, Holmes Cum-  
mings.

The company will be ready for business  
as soon as quarters can be decided upon.  
It has minimum capitalization of \$200,000  
paid up.

Suit has been instituted in the Cor-  
poration Court by Mrs. Emma C. Rum-  
bough for a divorce from her husband,  
George H. Rumbough. The bill has not  
been filed, and the matter of the grounds  
for the desired separation has not been  
made public. The defendant is a well  
known commercial man, who represents  
R. A. Patterson Tobacco Company, of  
Richmond, in this territory, and his wife  
is from a well known Virginia family.

'FRISCO SLIM IS IN  
THE TOILS OF THE LAW

Burglar Who Looted the Pe-  
ninsula Bank at Wil-  
liamsburg.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
WILLIAMSBURG, VA., April 14.—'Frisco  
Slim was indicted by the grand jury to-  
day for robbing the Peninsula Bank May  
the 21st, 1900. This case will come up  
at the next term of the Circuit Court.

'Frisco Slim is one of the most noted  
of burglars; and, in company with pals  
equally as notorious, Topeka Joe, Califor-  
nia Shorty and others, looted the Penin-  
sula Bank in the early morning of \$5,000  
and damaging the building with explo-  
sives. They intimidated the citizens who  
went into the street attracted by the  
noise and escaped with their swag. To-  
peka Joe was later captured and placed  
in the old jail at Richmond, from which  
he escaped. 'Frisco Slim is now in jail  
at Norfolk, being held for safe keep-  
ing until his trial at the next term of the  
court here.

The City Council at its meeting last  
night referred the matter of street pay-  
ment to the Street Committee with in-  
structions to get all information possible  
on the subject and report to the Council  
at its next meeting. A member of the  
committee said to-day that he thought  
the committee would soon be in a posi-  
tion to ask for bids.

A resolution was passed placing the  
cemetery fund in the hands of the com-  
mittee who will use it in improving the  
condition of the cemetery.

An increase of \$50 was added to the sal-  
ary of the Commonwealth's attorney, who  
will act as city attorney.

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paid up.

Suit has been instituted in the Cor-  
poration Court by Mrs. Emma C. Rum-  
bough for a divorce from her husband,  
George H. Rumbough. The bill has not  
been filed, and the matter of the grounds  
for the desired separation has not been  
made public. The defendant is a well  
known commercial man, who represents  
R. A. Patterson Tobacco Company, of  
Richmond, in this territory, and his wife  
is from a well known Virginia family.

'FRISCO SLIM IS IN  
THE TOILS OF THE LAW

Burglar Who Looted the Pe-  
ninsula Bank at Wil-  
liamsburg.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
WILLIAMSBURG, VA., April 14.—'Frisco  
Slim was indicted by the grand jury to-  
day for robbing the Peninsula Bank May  
the 21st, 1900. This case will come up  
at the next term of the Circuit Court.

'Frisco Slim is one of the most noted  
of burglars; and, in company with pals  
equally as notorious, Topeka Joe, Califor-  
nia Shorty and others, looted the Penin-  
sula Bank in the early morning of \$5,000  
and damaging the building with explo-  
sives. They intimidated the citizens who  
went into the street attracted by the  
noise and escaped with their swag. To-  
peka Joe was later captured and placed  
in the old jail at Richmond, from which